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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS
FROM DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S PRESS BRIEFING OCTOBER 21, 1974:

QUOTE: Q. LAST MONTH THE INDIAN AMBASSADOR SAID THAT THE
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL AGREEMENT WOULD BE SIGNED
WHEN THE SECRETARY WENT TO NEW DELHI, IS THAT CORRECT?

A. I DO NOT KNOW WHAT AGREEMENTS MAY COME OUT OF THE
SECRETARY'S TRIP, AND I THINK WE'LL WAIT UNTIL THE SECRE-
TARY GETS THERE.

Q. WELL, I MEAN NOT SPECIFIC. ANY KIND. DO YOU EXPECT
ANY AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED IN NEW DELHI?

A. THERE MAY BE SOME AGREEMENTS THAT MIGHT BE SIGNED; YES.

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Q. THERE HAS BEEN NEGOTIATION -- SOME PROGRESS OF A JOINT

COMMISSION OF THE KIND THAT HAD BEEN NEGOTIATED WITH OTHER
THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES; ISN'T THAT SO?

A. WELL, WHAT'S YOUR QUESTION?

Q. IS IT OR IS IT NOT SO THAT THERE HAS BEEN --

A. I REALLY DON'T THINK -- I DON'T WANT TO GET INTO, IN
ADVANCE OF THE SECRETARY GETTING TO INDIA, WHAT HIS DIS-
CUSSIONS ARE GOING TO BE WITH THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT.

Q. THESE HAVE BEEN NEGOTIATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN IN PRO-
GRESS FOR SEVERAL MONTHS NOW.

A. FINE. WELL, WE'LL WAIT UNTIL THE SECRETARY GETS THERE
TO SEE WHERE THEY MAY GO FROM THERE. END QUOTE. INGERSOLL

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